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MR. ARTHUR DITT



To him who has devoted much of his life to athletics, who has worked patiently and fervently with our boys and girls to build a winning team, who has done so much for the improvement of our athletic activities and facilities, and who exemplifies the tradition of Marion High School, we, the Hylander Club dedicate the 1947 HYLANDER... To Coach DITT.



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FESTIVITIES





SENIORS

CLASS HISTORY

After completing eight years in the Grammar Grades, we entered High School as Freshmen in September, 1943. We were ninety-nine strong, and determined to conquer that before us. As our leaders for the year, we elected Sara Johnson as President; Jack Goode as Vice - President; Ruby Byrd as Secretary; and Polly Hawkins as Treasurer. We would not attempt to say what the teachers thought of us, but the opinion we had of ourselves was not to be auestioned.

When we became Sophomores, we began to realize we were really a part of the High School, having

had the rougher edges removed during our Freshman year. We began this year by electing officers: Robert White, President; Wayne Norman, Vice-President; Melba Simpson, Secretary; and Guy Nichols, Jr., Treasurer. The class enrollment was eighty-three and much to our delight thirteen of our members were on the football team. Jack Goode brought honor to us by being chosen All-Conference end.

As Juniors our class became more active than heretofore. We were confronted with the new responsibilities and opportunities; in the band, on the school paper, in clubs, and on the football and basketball teams. Jack Goode became



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS

LYNN CRAWLEY	President
BETTY LOU BANKS	ice-President
RUBY BYRD	Secretary
BOBBY WHITE	Treasurer

our President; Lynn Crawley and Wayne Norman, Representatives; and James Norton, Secretary and Treasurer. . . . This year our class was especially honored by having fourteen of its members elected into the National Honor Society: L. D. Atkins, Jr., John Beaman, Ruby Byrd, Lynn Crawley, Betty Davis, Joanne Field, Lois Ann Finley, Polly Hawkins, John Kluttz, Hazel McCurr, Harry Neighbors, Melba Simpson, Lena Swann, and Robert White . . . In the spring of '46 we gave our class play, "Black Cats," a whirlwind farce in three acts. A large audience was entertained by this amateur performance . . . During this year four members of

the class entered the Armed Forces: Guy Nichols, Jr., Zelotes Finley, Jack Goode, and William Stanley . . . The climax of the year came when we entertained the Senior Class of '46 at the Junior-Senior Banquet. This was an occasion long to be remembered, as it was the first really big event of our own planning since entering High School.

Now at last we have reached that cherished "last year." Sixty-one out of a former class of ninety-nine have become Seniors, dignified or otherwise. At the beginning of the year we chose as our representatives: Lynn Crawley, President; Betty Lou Banks, Vice-President; Ruby Byrd, Secretary; and Robert White, Treasurer. To add to our prestige and honor these seniors: Frances Pool, Margaret Atkins, Glenn Murdock, and Betty Hope Gibson were elected into the National Honor Society . . . Our football team, mainly Seniors, won a much-deserved



JUDY NORMAN



PATRICK LOGAN MASCOT

second place in the Western Conference. We had many outstanding players on the team, such as Dean Padgett who gained a position on the All-State team; Lynn Crawley, Bill Burleson, and Fuzz England played outstanding ball the entire season. At the beginning of the year, to our great joy, lights and steel bleachers were installed on the football field and we enjoyed a privilege not before permitted at Marion High School — night football games. The performance of the High School Band, of which many members are seniors, added pleasure to the games.

It has all meant a great deal to us, the fun and even the hard work, and so it is not without regret that we say "goodbye" to Marion High School. May the remainder of our years be as happy. Our teachers have set an admirable example for us by their unselfishness and sincere devotion to duty and we shall always remember them as friends and helpers in our High School days.

LAWRENCE DeWITT ATKINS, JR. "Bug"

"He is noble in every thought and in every deed."

Bond 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Notional Music Contest 1; State Music Contest 1, 2, 4; District Music Contest 1, 4; Student Director 3, 4, ; Librorion 3; Reporter 4, Vice-President 5; Glee Club 1, 3, 4; Assistant Director 4; Service Club President 3; Latin Club 3; Hylander Club 3, 4, 5; Associate Editor 5; Deboter's Club, Treosurer 5; Honor Society 4, 5; Treasurer 4; Vice-President 5; Football 4, 5; Junior Play 4.

BETTY LOU BANKS

"Fashioned so slenderly, young and so fair."

Librory Assistant 1; Morionette 1; Heolth Club 1; Bosketball teom 2, 3, 4, 5; Cheerleoder 2, 3, 4, 5; Chief Cheerleoder 4, 5; Lotin Club 3; Commercial Club 3; Best Athlete 4; Monagrom Club 4, 5; Home Coming Football Spansor 4, 5; Glee Club 4; Journalism Club 5; Safe Driving Club 5; Vice-President Senior Closs 5.

JOHN EDWARD BLACK

"Play up, play up and play the game."

Sofety Potrol 1; Aeronoutics Club 2; Footboll Monoger 2, 3, 4, 5; Basketball Monoger 3, 4, 5; Student Council 4; Most Helpful 4, 5.

CORA JEANNETTE BROOME "Bongs"

"Her charming ways, her friendly smile, make her friendship well worth while."

Girls' Heolth Club 1; Freshmon Treasurer 1 Dromotic Club 2; Hylander Club 4; Hylonder Stoff 4; Office Assistont 5; Friendliest 5; Journolism Club 5; Morionette Assistont Editor 5.















MARGARET ELIZABETH ATKINS

"Good things come in small packages."

Heolth Club 1; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Secretary and Treasurer 3, 5; Majorette 2, 3, 4; District Contest 3; State Contest 3; Bross Ensemble 3; Band Council 3, 4; Glee Club 2; Hylander Club 3, 4; Assistant Advertising Manager 4; Most Original 3; Debaters' Club 4; Class Prophet 4.

JOHN HOMER BEAMAN

"He wishes, therefore he tries; he is persistent, therefore he wins."

Bond 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Notional Contest 1; Siate Contest 4; District Contest 4; Bond Council 4; Librarion 4; Library Club 1; Service Club 2; Treasurer 2; Footboll 3, Lotin Club 3; Glee Club President 4; Most Original 4; Honor Society 4, 5; Advanced Science Club 4; Vice-President 4; President 5; Deboters' Club Secretory 5; Hylonder Executive Stoff 5.

ESTELLE BRADLEY

"Dark hair, brown eyes, and a nice personality."

Girls' Heolth Club 2; Commerciol Club President 4; Journolism Club 5; Morionette Staff 5.

HAZEL DARE BUCHANAN "Sondro"

"For loveliness needs not the foreign aid of ornament."

Librory Club 1; Librory Assistant 1, 2 Hylonder Club 3, 4, 5; Student Council 4; Delegate to Student Council Conference 4; Hylonder Stoff 4, 5; Most Originol 5.

WILLIAM ROY BURLESON, JR.

"To make the world a friendly place one must show a friendly face."

Softball 2; Faotball 2, 3, 4, 5; Baseboll 5; Monagram Club 5; Veterans' Club 5; Treasurer Veterans' Club 5; Marine Carps, 1944-1946.



DEWEY WILLIAM BURNETTE "Bill"

"None but himself can be his parallel."

Safety Patral 1; Basketball 4; Library Club 4; Athletic Club 5; Faatball 5; Advanced Science Club

ELIZABETH MARGARET BURNETTE "Peg"

"A good disposition is more valuable than gold."

Home Economics Club 2; Cammercial Club 4; Journalism Club 5; Marionette Staff 5.



RUBY MAY BYRD "RuBee"

"More prized than jewels rare."

Marianette Club 1; Library Assistant 2; Hylander Club 2, 3, 4, 5; Class Secretary 2, 5; Lotin Club 3; Best Dressed 4; Junior Play 4; 3; Best Dressed 4; Junior Play 4;
Delegate to Student Cauncil Conference 4: Student Council 4, 5;
Marshal 2, 3; Secretary Student
Cauncil 4, 5; Hanar Saciety 4, 5;
Honar Saciety Secretary 4, 5; Hylander Staff 4, 5; Debaters' Club
5; Student af the Year 5; Hamecoming Football Sponsor 5.

SAMMIE COLLINS

"Many a dangerons temptation

that are but skin deep." Bays' Wark Club 1; Science Club 2; Commercial Club 3; Hobby Club 4; Merchant Marines 1945-1946.

conres to us in fine gay colors,

VIOLENA BYRD "Vi"

"Red hair and a langhing smile win friends."

Class Treasurer 1; Hame Ecanomics Club 1; Dramatics Club 2; Glee Club 1; Vice-President Home Eca-namics Club 2; Commercial Club 3; Journalism Club 4 Marianette Staff 4.



ROBERT LYNN CRAWLEY "Shave"

"A scholar and a gentleman."

Football 2, 3, 4, 5; Baseball 3; Marshal 1, 2, 3, 4; Chief Morshal 3, 4; Secretary of Class 1; Glee Club 1, 3; President 3; Aeronautics Club 2; Hylonder Club 3, 4, 5; Editor-in-Chief 4; Advertising Monager 5; Advonced Science ing Monager 5; Advonced Science Club 4, 5; President 4; Treasurer 5; Monagram Club 3, 4, 5; Student Council 3, 5; Chairman 3; Treasurer 5; Honor Saciety 4, 5; Vice-President 4; President 5; King of Harvest Festival 4; May Court 4; Student of Year 4, 5; Junior Play 4; Class Vice-President 4; Latin Club 3; Closs President 5; Valedictorion 5.

GOLDIE COOPER "Bubbles"

"She is neat and cute, and works as well as plays."

Hame Economics Club 1; Dramatics Club 2; Basketball 4, 5; Hylonder Club 4; Hylonder Club Typist 4; Journalism Club 5; Society Editor of Marionette Staff 5; Monogram Club 5; Best Dressed 5.





BETTY JEAN DAVIS

"The thing that goes the farthest towards making life worth while, that costs the least, and does the most, is just a pleasant smile."

Art Club 1; Service Club 2; Hylander Club 3; Cammercial Club 4; Marianette Staff Manager 5; Student af Year 4; Office Assistant 4, 5; Hanar Saciety 4, 5; Mast Helpful 5; Journalism Club 5.





JOANNE FIELD

NICHOLAS EUGENE DEVINNEY

"Dependable and well liked by all."

Science Club 1; Warkers' Club 2; Aeranautics Club 3, 5; Safe Driving Club 5.

"She moves a goddess and looks a queen."

Health Club 1; Girls' Girls' Health Club 1; Student Cauncil 2; Basketball 4; Advanced Science Club 4; Vice-President 4; Fareign Language Club 4; Vice-President 4; May Queen 4; Class Play 4, Marshal 1, 2, 4; Hylander Club 4, 5; Business Manager 4; Editor-in-Chief 5: Band 5; Na tianal Honor Saciety 4, 5; District and State Music Contest 4, 5; Salutatorian 5. tatorian 5.



"Give to the world the best that you have and the best will come back to you."

Girls' Health Club 1, 2; Hame Ecanomics Club 3; Dramatics Club 5.







KATE MAE FORTUNE

"There is a soft and pensive grace."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Cauncil 1, 3, 4; Junior Play 4; Science Club 3; Home Economics Club 1, 2; Pleasant Garden High Schaal 1, 2, 3, 4

LOIS ANNE FINLEY

"Lass so sweet with smile so sweet."

Honor Society 4, 5; Hame Eca-nomics Club 2; Commercial Club 4, Vice-President Commercial Club 4; Jaurnalism Club 5; Marianette

BETTY HOPE GIBSON

"A lovely lady garmented in light."

Glee Club 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; President of Glee Club 5; Hylander Club 5; Hylander Staff 5; Library Assistant 1, 2; Foreign Language Club 5; Basketball 3; Office Assistant 4; Homecaming Faotball Sponsar 5; Most Talented 5.



BARBARA ARGYLE GLADDEN "Babs"

"In doing what we ought we deserve no praise, because it is our duty."

Glee Club 1; Dramatic Club 3; Hylander Club 5; Foreign Language Club 5; Debater's Club 5.



"Leave silence to the saints; I'm but human."

Library Club; Library Assistant, 2, 3, 4; Dramatic Club 4.

CHARLES HERBERT INSCOR

"Be merry if you are wise."

Safety Patrol 1; Boys' Work Club 2; Library Club 3; Hobby Club 5.

MARY JUSTICE JOHNSON

"Sweetness and grace personified."

Glenwood High School 1, 2; Class Secretary 2; Commercial Club 5; Girls' Athletic Club 5.











JOE TERRELL GUTHRIE

"Sober, but not serious, quite but not idle."

Bays' Work Club 1, 2; Basketball 2, 3; Foatball 3; Baseball Manager 3; Commercial Club 4; Band 4; Safety Patrol 1; Most Original 5.

CHARLOTTE MAXINE HUFFMAN

"No more, nor less than just berself, with her winsome naturalness."

Girls' Health Club 2; Jaurnalism Club 5; Jaurnalism Staff 5; Commercial Club 4; Girls' Athletic Club 5.

JOYCE INSCOR

"Quiet, courteous manners with an amiable disposition."

Health Club 1; Home Economics 3, 5; Latin Club 3; French Club 5; Debaters's Club 5; Library Assistance 3.

JOHN AUGUSTUS KLUTTZ "Saraka"

"Good natured, dependable, and a true pal."

Art Club 1; Service Club 2; Band 2, 3, 4, 5; Latin Club 3; Glee Club 4; State Music Cantest 4; Hannor Society 4, 5; Hylander Club 4, 5; Vice-President Hylander Club 5; Advanced Science Club 5; Secretary Advance Science Club 5; State Music Contest 5.

JACK LEE LAUGHRIDGE

"Here is a true and industrious friend."

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Science Club 1, 2; Glee Club 1, 2, 3; State Music Contest 1, 2; Band Council 1, 2, 3, 4; National Music Contest, 1, 2; Drum Major 2, 3; Football 2, 4; A vaiation Club 3; Marionette Staff 3; Most Courteous 4; Veterans' Club 4; Testor 4; U. S. Navy.



"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in pictures of silver."

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Club 3; Journalism Club 4; Monogram Club 4.

JAMES EARL MICKLE "Curly"

"A regular fellow and a true friend."

Swannanoa High School 1, 2, 3; Basketball 1, 2; Band 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; Softball 1, 2, 3; F. F. A. Club 1, 2, 3; F. F. A. President 2; F. F. A. Secretary 3, Safe Driving Club 2, 3; Dramatics Club 4, 5; State Music Contest 4; Drum Major 4, 5; Monogram Club 5; Band Council 5; Wittiest 5.

RALPH GLENN MURDOCK

"A quiet young lad is Glenn, but you would be surprised at all be knows."

Study Club 1, 3; Workers' Club 2; Advanced Science Club 4, 5; Aeronautics Club 5; Treasurer Aeronautics Club 5.















DIXIE LEE MACE

"Her good humor has given her troops of friends and the keys to success."

Girls' Health Club 2; Commercial Club 4; Office Assistant 4, 5; Journalism Club 5; Marionette Staff 5; Girls' Athletic Club 5;

HAZEL RUTH McCURRY

"Learn'd and fair and good she is."

Home Economics Club 1, 2, 3; Hyander Club 4, 5; Hylonder Staff 4, 5; Foreign Language Club 5; Debaters' Club 5; Most Courteous 5; Honor Society 4, 5; Office Assistant 4.

ALEXANDER PAUL MORGAN "Slick"

"Always ready for fun."

Study Club 1; Library Club 2; Workers' Club 3; Baseball 3, 4, 5; Monogram Club 4, 5.

HARRY RUSSELL NEIGHBORS

"Not too serious, not too gay, but a jolly good fellow when it comes to play."

Basketboll 3, 4, 5; Monogram Club 3, 4, 5; Baseball 4, 5; Honor Society 4, 5; Student Council 4, 5; President 4; Vice-President 5; Morionette Club, Editor 5; Best All Around 5.

BOBBE JEAN NESBITT "Bob"

"Pep in her fingers, pep in her toes, a jolly good sport wherever she goes."

Library Assistant 1; Glee Club 2; Victory Club 2; Girls' Health Club 3; Commercial Club 4; Cheerleader 4, 5; Monogram Club 5; Safe Driving Club 5; Girls' Basketball Manager 5.



WAYNE BROOKS NORMAN "Boogle"

"An accomplished pianist, and admired by all."

Boys' Work Club 1, 2; Safety Patrol 1; Banketball 2, 3; Base-ball 3, 4, 5; Class Officer 3, Chairman of Junior Class 4; Foot-ball 3, 5; Monogram Club 3, 4, 5; Band 4; Most Talented 4, 5.

JAMES EDWARD NORTON "Quenty"

"A nran polished to the nail."

Boys' Work Club 1, 2; Library Assistant 2; Basketball 2, 3; Base-ball 3, 4, 5; Coptoin 3, 4; Foot-ball 3; Monogram Club 3, 4, 5; Commerciol Club 4; Best Dressed 5.



EARNEST O'DEAR

"Speech is great; but silence is greater."

Boys' Work Club 1; Aeronautics Club 2; Football 4; Navy, March 1945—July 1946; Football 5; Vet-erans' Club 5.

DEAN EDWARD PADGETT "Swabbie"

"The world has room for the manly man with the spirit of manly cheer."

Footboll 1, 2, 5; Monogram Club 2, 5; Navy; Boseball 5; Best Ath-lete 5; All State Footboll 5; All Conference Footboll 5.





VIRGINIA LUCILLE PADGETT "Spadgett"

"From the crown of her head to the sole of her feet she's all mirth."

Library Assistant 2, 3; Basketball 2, 3, 4, 5; Manager 3; Commercial Club 3; Cheerleader 4, 5; Monogram Club 5; Safe Driving Club 5; Best Athlete 5; Journalism Club 5.

VELVIE MARTHA IRENE PEARSON

"Quiet in appearance, with motives unknown."

Art Club 1; Home Economics Club 2, 5.





FRANCES BEULAH POOL

"A thing of beauty is a joy forever."

Girls' Health Club 1; Glee Club 2, 5; Home Ec. Club 3; Office Assist-ant 4; Hylander Club 4, 5; De-baters' Club 5; Foreign Language Club 5.

PAUL RAY POTEAT

"Though he was rough, he was kindly."

Safety Patral 1; Boys' Wark Club Capt. 1; Dramatics Club 1, 2, 4; Mast Papular 3; Emmanuel Academy 3; Vice-President af Dramatics Club 4; Monagram Club 4.





SAMUEL EDWIN PROCTOR, JR.
"Sam"
"To be strong is to be bappy."
Bays' Work Club 1, 2; Aeronoutics
Club 2; Art Club 3; Commercial
Club 4.

WILLIAM RAY ROLAND "Lucky"

"A man worthy of the name."

Boys' Wark Club 2; Dramatics Club 2; Aeronautics Club 3; Hylander Club 3; U. 5. Navy 1945-1946; Football 3, 4, 5; Juniar Class Play 4; Veterans' Club 5.





PAUL ROSS

"His humor bubbles like a fountain."

Science Club 1; Workers' Club 2; Aeronautics Club 3; Dramatics Club 4; Hylander Club 5; Journalism Club 5; Hobby Club 5.



"Faithfulness and sincerity first of all."

Girls' Health Club 1, 5; Library Club 2; Library Assistant 2, 5.





MELBA FRANK SIMPSON "Chery!"

"A daughter of the gods, devinely tall, and devinely fair."

Home Ec. Club 1, 2; Home Ec. Club Treosurer 1; Library Club 3; Library Assistant 1, 2, 3; Closs Secretory 3; Student Council 4; Commercial Club 4; Journalism Club 5; Foreign Language Club 5; Marianette Typist 5; Honor Society 4, 5.

KENNETH STANLEY SMITH "Little George"

"The greatest of faults, I should say, is to be conscious of none."

Football 3; U. S. Navy 1943-46; Veterans' Club 5.





LENA ANNE SWANN

"A quiet and modest little miss who aims high, and is sure to reach her goal."

Library Assistant 1, 4; Library Club 2, 4; Home Ec. Club President 5; Honor Society 4, 5; Foreign Longuage Club 5.

BOBBIE EVELYN THOMPSON

"A sweet attractive kind of grace."

Jeffersonville, Ind., High Schaol 1; Morganton High School 2; Hame Economics Club 2, 3; Hame Econamics Club Secretory 3.



"Chatter, chatter, all the while, yet everybody loves it."

Library Assistant 1; Library Club 1; North Cove High Schaol 2; Girls' Health Club 3; Hylander Club 4; Safe Driving Club 5; Fareign Language Club 5; Vice-President 5; Journalism Club 5; Wittiest 4, 5; Bosketball Manager 5.

KENNETH EDGAR WELBORN

"The man who laughs and loves must sure do well."

Bays' Wark Club 1; Morshol 1; Science Club 2; Honar Society 3, 4; Class Play 3; Veterans' Club 4; President 4; Friendliest 4; Army.

RUBY DEAN WILKERSON

"She is pretty to walk with, witty to talk with, and pleasant too, to think on."

Library Assistant 1; Cheerleader 2, 3, 5; Commerciol Club 3; Latin Club 3; Monogram Club 3, 4, 5; Hylander Club 4; Junior Play 4; Most Popular 4, 5; Basketball Squad 5; Safe Driving Club 5; Homecoming Football Sponsor 5.













PAUL DAVID TURNBILL "Musty"

"With his eyes in flood with laughter."

Art Club 1; Workers' Club 2; Football Squad 2; Monogram Club 4, 5; Boseboll 3, 4, 5.

BETTY AROLYN WALL "Ickey"

Zealous, yet modest;, innocent, though free."

N. H. H. S. Choir 2; Home Economics Club 4; Junior Play 4; Journalism Club 5 Marianette Typist 5; Student Council 4; Most Talented 4; Best All Around 5.

ROBERT DEAN WHITE

"Wherever he goes there will always be his smile, his good disposition, and his friends."

Art Club 1 Band 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; National Music Contest 1; State Music Contest 1, 4; Service Club 2; Bond Council 1, 2, 3, 4, 5; District Music Contest 2, 4; Class President 3; Glee Club 3, 4; Football 3; Latin Club 3; Honor Society 4, 5; Treasurer 5; Class Play 4; Vice-President of Band 4; Soloist 15 Stote Music Contest 4; Hylander Club 5; President of Hylander Club 5; President of Hylander Club 5; President of Hylander Club 5; Deboters' Club 5; Vice-President Student Council 5; Bond President 5; Class Treasurer 5.

CLASS PROPHECY



Marion, North Carolina May 28, 1957

Dear Betty:

The reunion our class vaguely planned the spring of 1947 for ten years later, has passed and we are now looking forward to another at a later date.

A large number had arranged to get together and it was a happy occasion for all of us. We spent hours reminiscing and trying to learn the whereabouts of those not present.

Lynn Crawley presided, as in the old days, and asked everyone present for an account of his life since we had last assembled and for any information as to those not able to attend. Lynn has held many political offices and is now serving his second term as governor of North Carolina.

Naturally no one had changed his course very much since we were a very determined group even in 1947. Bill Neighbors, the Walter Winchell of today, flew down from New York with news of practically everyone. He informed us that our class was well represented in Washington, both as officials and secretaries.

Wayne Norman, needless to say, is still playing the piano, but has acquired a band and managed to keep some of our Marion High talent together. Bomma Nesbitt is singing with him now.



Frances Pool home for vacation from Columbia University, told us that she has deserted her classroom to go see "Fuzz" England play pro football with the Chicago ,'Bears" and that Jack Laughridge's band was still the most popular one in New York. She also told us of having seen Joanne Field just after her successful concert tour of Europe.

We were all thrilled over having real screen actresses in our group. Betty Tyler, home from California for the first time in years, told us of her career in







pictures and that she still often saw Ruby Wilkerson who was continuing her exciting career at an adjoining studio.

Dean Padgett and Bill Burleson had settled for coaching after their exciting years of spectacular college football. Betty Banks is Physical Educational Director at Duke.

L. D. Atkins, now a director of Marion High School Band; Bobby White, Director of Music at the University of North Carolina; John Kluttz, who finally moved back to South Carolina, is very active in politics; and John Beaman, who had to abandon his music for his lumbering business, seemed to take up where they left off ten years ago.

The highlight of the evening was when Betty Wall made her appearance. We had not hoped she could get away from New York during rehearsals. Her plays have all been successful. She is now directing as well as acting.

Ruby Byrd, Hazel Buchanan, and Melba Simpson arrived breathless after their hurried trip. Those three have managed to stay together and are equally successful as Powers Models in New York.

The proportionate number that had acquired husbands and wives smiled at each other when those who had wandered afar in their chosen careers recounted their adventures and experiences. Among them were Charlotte Huffman, Estelle Bradley, Dixie Lee Mace, Margaret Burnette, Earn Black, Ray Poteat, Earl Helms, Joe Guthrie, and Earl Mickle.

Betty Hope Gibson, Lena Swann, and Lois Ann Finley told us of the wonderful improvements at Marion High School.

After the final goodbyes were said, I was indeed glad that I had deferred my trip to New York to see my publisher about my latest song for the reunion of the class of '47.

Yours sincerely,

MARGARET ATKINS.

LAST WILL AND

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, McDOWELL COUNTY, TOWN OF MARION

Knawing fuli well that we are approaching the end af our High School career, and realizing that aur vast and valuable passessians may lead to bitter contention among those who aspire to be our heirs, our Last Will and Testament is this day drawn up and stated as fallows:

The largest and mast impartant of aur belangings is advice, and nat wishing to be partial to aur heirs, we leave equal shares to the Juniors, the Saphamares, and the Freshmen. Our advice is to keep ever before them the shining example of the illustriaus class of '47. Of caurse, in the very nature of things, no succeeding class can ever came up to ours in achievement, but let them all aim at our enviable record. Let aur successors as Emerson advises, "Hitch their wagan to a star." We will be their star and they need only supply the wagan.

Ta the Schaal Baard we bequeath our sincere thanks far their interest in our educations.

Ta Mr. Beam we leave aur undying gratitude and thanks far making aur schaal days pleasant, as well as educational.

Ta aur Teachers we leave aur sincere thanks far all they have dane far us. Alsa aur deepest sympathy far the lass they have suffered through aur departure. We grieve far you O'Teachers, when we think af your having to teach these present Juniars, next year's Seniars, who may be faolish enough to imagine themselves capable of walking in our faatsteps.

Ta the Schaal we leave the valuable suggestian that the desks we have used be put into one room, which shall





became a museum of precious relics, for posterity to gaze upon with awe and reverence. Strangers will, in future, no doubt, visit this museum, at a small admission price of 25 cents, which would bring in ample funds to pay for all the buildings that will be added to the Marian School System in coming years.

In addition to these general bequests, there are only a few personal ones we will mention here:

- 1, Betty Tyler, leave my wit ta June Carrigan.
- I, Lawrence Atkins, leave my musical ability ta Billy Wayne Suttle.
- I, Paul Rass, leave my ability to say the right thing at the wrong time to Jimmy Rabb.

We, Jeannette Braame and Galdie Caaper, leave aur lasting friendship ta Margaret Curtis and Betty Ja Creasy.



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- I, · Margaret Atkins, leave my pasitian as majarette ta Betty Ja Sentell.
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- I, Edward Black, leave my pasition as manager of the football squad ta Dennis Ayers.

We, Estelle Bradley, Dixie Lee Mace, and Charlatte Huffman leave aur gaad times and friendship ta any three girls that can get alang as well as we have.





To the audience here this evening we bequeath aur cangratulations an the fact that they have had the gaad fartune to be present at the class day exercise of the great Class of '47. The memory of this evening will always be samething to cherish. In the years to came it will be a mark of distinction for anyone to be able to say he or she was present on this memorable accasion.

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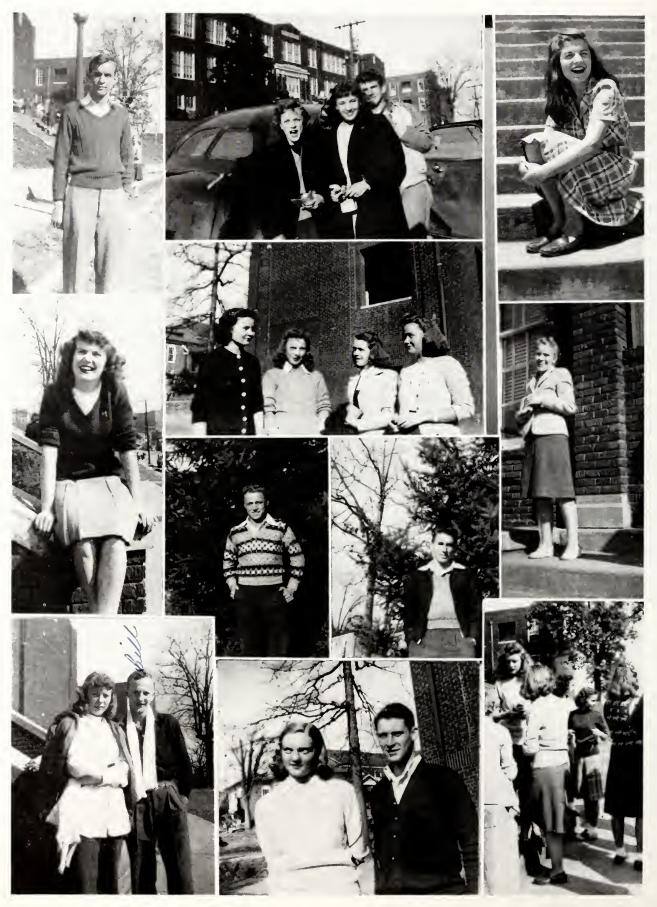


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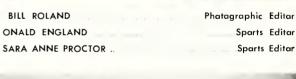
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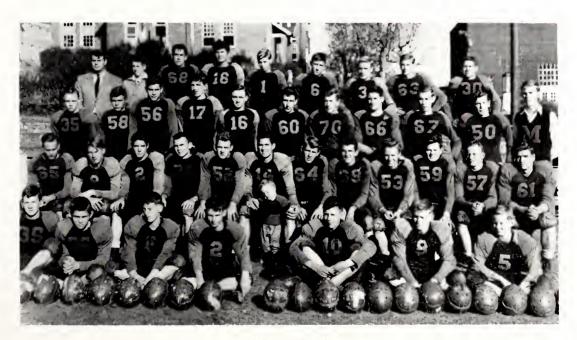
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MORGANTON 18 - MARION 12

For the first and best game of the season, the Rippers journeyed to Morganton. Both teams played a hard game; neither side scoring until the fourth quarter. With the score tied 12-12 and only two minutes left to play, McFadden of Morganton intercepted a pass, intended for Davis, and scored the winning touchdown, making the count 18-12. Rader and Padgett scored the Marion touchdowns. while Ken Toney, England and Hendley led the defense.



R. TONEY



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LENOIR 14 - MARION 13

Clashing on the home field under the new lights for the first time, the Marion Rippers fought a game battle against Lenoir, but lost 14-13. Although outplaying Lenoir all through the game, the Rippers seemed to lack the field generalship to drive on to victory. Every one who saw action played fine ball!

MARION 8 - SHELBY 6

The initial win of the season came when the hard smashing Rippers came from behind to win over Shelby 8-6. The half found Marion outplayed and trailing 6-2; but, as the second half got underway, the Rippers hit their stride and played heads up football. Ken Toney scored on a pass from Rader, the lone and winning Ripper touchdown. The deciding two points came when Ralph Toney blocked a Shelby punt, which rolled out of the end zone for an automatic safety.

MARION 13 - NEWTON 0

On their own gridiron, the Newton Red Devils were defeated 13-0 by the Rippers. Both teams played evenly matched ball until the fourth quarter when Rader and England carried the ball in a 70-yard drive to the 2-yard line where England carried it over for a score. A few plays later, Norman added a second touchdown after Ken Toney intercepted a Newton pass. Hendley, Burleson, and Padgett played fine ball in the line.

MARION 19 - HICKORY 0

In the homecoming game, the Rippers clashed with the Hickory team, defeating them 19-0. Although the score was only 7-0 at the half, the Rippers came back strong and pushed across two more touchdowns. The Hickory team running from a "T" formation provided one of the most thrilling homecoming games ever played at Marion.



ATKINS

MARION 13 - CHERRYVILLE 7

Playing one of the strongest teams to appear on the Marion field this year, the Rippers defeated the Cherryville Ironmen 13-7. Cherryville scored in the first few minutes of the game to go in front 7-0. Getting hold of themselves, the Rippers came back to make the score 7-6, Norman going over for the score. Again in the second quarter, Norman scored, racing 65 yards for the tally. Padgett converted the extra point. Late in the fourth quarter, the Ironmen started a drive that carried to the Rippers' 25 yard line, but which was broken up when Moody covered a Cherryville fumble. The standouts for the Ripper line were Hendley, Crawley, Moody, and Burleson, while Norman, England, and Rader led the backfield.

MARION 20 - VALDESE 6

The Valdese eleven was defeated by the Rippers in a very thrilling game. England, Norman, and Rader each scored a touchdown while Padgett kicked the extra points. In the third quarter Baker from Valdese made the only touchdown for his team, making the final score 20-6.

MARION 23 - N. C. S. D. 7

Battling a hard fighting N. C. S. D. team, the Marion Rippers won over the Bears by a score of 23-7. The Bears, led by Tuttle, hit pay dirt



ENGLAND



HENDLEY

early in the first quarter to go in the lead 7-0. Late in the first quarter Padgett caught a pass and raced thirty yards for a touchdonw. Through the rest of the first half, both teams played on even terms with the score tied 7-7. Marion took charge in the second half with Rader and England each scoring a touchdown, and Burleson trapping one of the Bears for a safety.



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MARION 38 — HENDERSONVILLE 6

The Marion Rippers racked up their fourth consecutive win at Hendersonville when they defeated the Hendersonville eleven 38-6, on a rain-soaked field. Practically every man on the Ripper squad saw action. Rader, Cuthbertson, and Robinson were outstanding in the backfield, while Burleson, Crawley and Hendley played fine ball in the line.

MARION 44 - RUTHERFORDTON 13

Before an estimated crowd of 3,000, the Rippers defeated Rutherfordton 44-13. Packet, R. Norman, England, and Rader scored the touchdowns, while Padgett scored the extra points. Regardless of the score and the fact that almost all the Rippers saw action, it was a thrilling game until the final whistle.

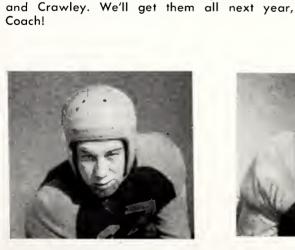




PADGETT

MARION 13 - FOREST CITY 7

The Marion Rippers journeyed to Forest City to defeat the strong Golden Tornadoes 13-7. Although training 7-0 during the first three quarters, the Rippers came back strong in the fourth quarter and scored two touchdowns, both on passes to Padgett from England and Rader. This victory gave Marion the second place in the Western Class A Conference.



From the hot Fridays to the bleak November days, Marion High students and alumni thrilled to the deeds of a Marion High team that will be hard to forget. Managers for the Rippers last fall were Edward Black and Dennis Ayers. There were losses, but even more victories. We watched in beautiful football weather as the Rippers, green and inexperienced, outplayed a heavier Morganton eleven only to set back in the closing minutes 18-12. Then came the second hard blow as an outplayed Lenoir eleven won a hard fought game by a one point margin. Another close call from Shelby when Ralph Toney's blocked kick saved the day. A green Valdese team romped on by the Rippers. Next came N. C. S. D., led by a great back, Tuttle, scoring first on the Rippers to have the ball only four times the first half before going down in the last half 23-7. Then amidst the puddles of rainsoaked Hendersonville field, the Rippers overran a smaller Hendersonville team-followed the next week by another easy victory over Rutherfordton. The Red Devils of Newton afforded another close call as England and Rader sparked the offensive power. A homecoming gathering seeing Hickory go down under the might of the Rippers 19-0. The Cherryville Ironmen kept the crowd on their toes by scoring in the opening minutes in lightning like fashion only to be overcome as R. Norman showed his heels and raced 65 yards for the winning touch-

down. The Rippers looked doomed in their grand final as two passing teams met on a sandy, rain-

soaked field; but coming through in fine fashion

the last minutes, thanks to the great All-State

end, Padgett. Then Padgett, Lonon, Crawley,

Burleson, Moody, R. Toney and Hendley played

fine defensive ball, backed by a great backfield

of Rader, K. Toney, R. Norman, England, Robin-

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their High School careers are Padgett, Burleson,

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Starting rather slowly but gaining speed, the Ripperettes have an outstanding team in the Conference . . . Betty Banks, Captain, has proved to be one of the best guards that Marion has ever had . . . Sara Anne Proctor, outstanding forward, is one of the best on the girls' team. She is good on rebounds and has a sharp shooting eye . . . Another outstanding member is Goldie Cooper, who has proved herself a capable center forward . . . An excellent guard, Doris McCurry is one of the speediest on the team. She more than holds down her position on the court . . . One of the better all-round forwards is fleet Lucille Padgett, who is playing her first year on the first string . . . Becky Hemphill, one of the newer players, shows great promise as a guard . . . Katherine Wilkerson and Juanita Elliot, as forward substitutes, are very good . . . Lila Harrison and Yvonne Arrowood, guards, have also done some very good playing.



(First Row): Juanita Elliott, Doris McCurry, Goldie Cooper, Betty Lou Banks, Lucille Padgett, Saro Anne Practar, Rebecco Hemphill. (Second Row): Jaanne Copelond, Jonavia Anderson, Yvonne Arrowood, Barbaro Gibbs, Glynn Lambeth, Barbara Wolker, Katie Wilkerson, Kotherine Wilkerson, Lila Eorle Harrison. (Third Raw): Cooch Ditt, Anna Louro Copeland, Opol Gibson, Bobbe Nesbitt.

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TONEY

Having three of last year's Conference champions starting five returned to show their talent this season, the "Rippers" have one of the best basketball teams in the Conference . . Ralph Toney, "Ripper" captain, two-time All-Conference guard, one of the best floor men in the Conference really holds the team together . . .

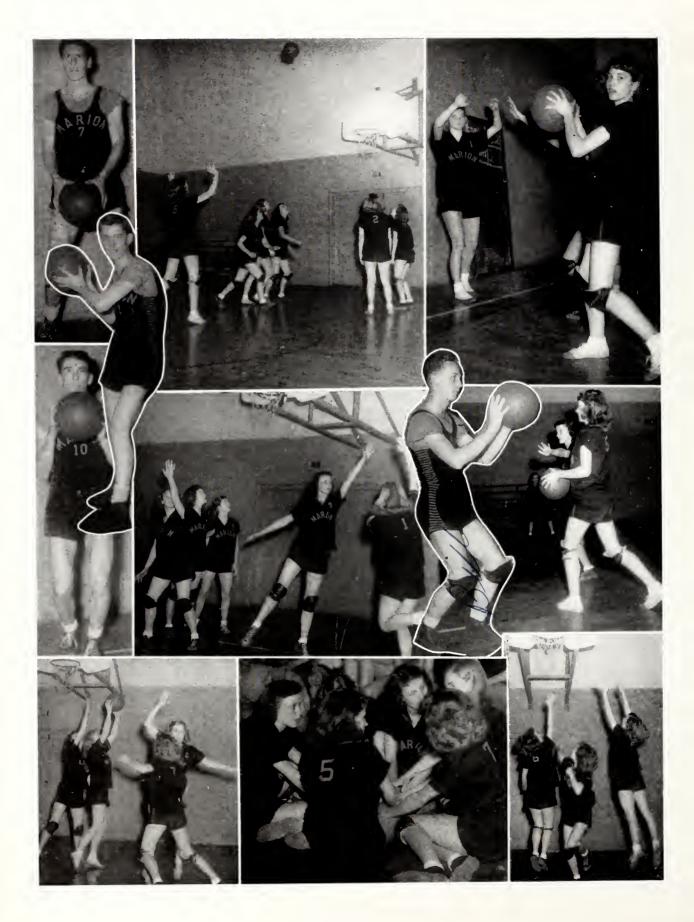


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(First Raw): Franklin Pace, Ray Rabinsan, Bill Neighbars, Ralph Taney, Danald Claytan, Kirby Rader, Claude Flack. (Second Raw): Dennis Ayers and Edward Black, Managers, Carl Walker, Freddie Kirkland, Millard Rabinson, Bill Burnette, Dan McCall, Guy Smith, Coach Ditt.



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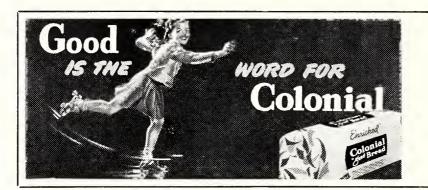
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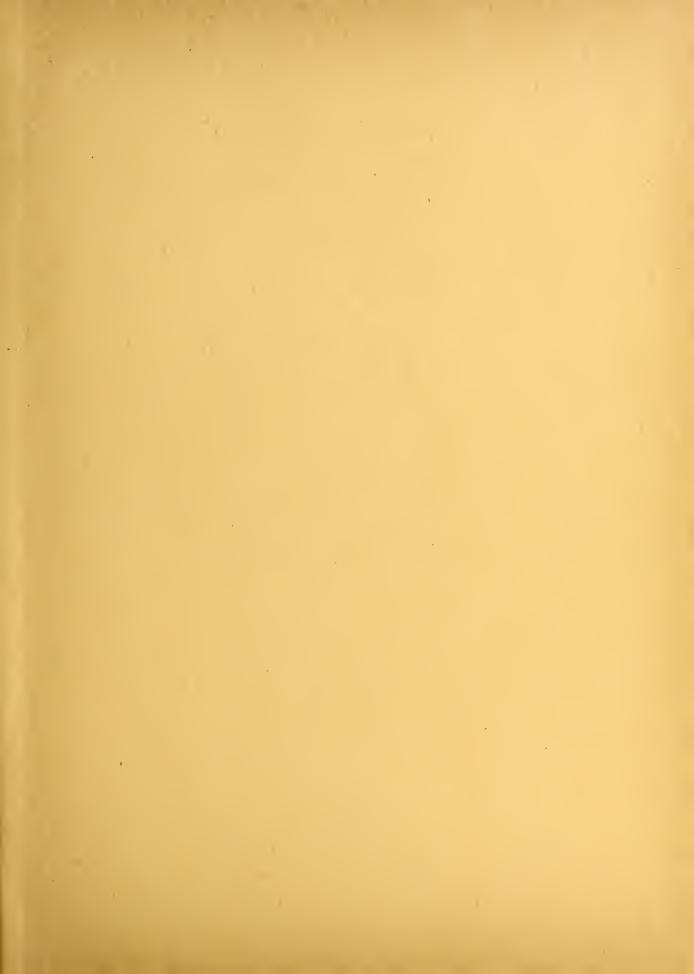
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